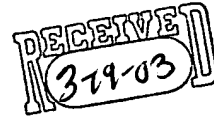


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AMENDMENT

Commissioner of Patents & Trademarks
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Sir:

Responsive to the Office Action of please amend the above identified application
as follows:

IN THE CLAIMS:

Amend claims 3, 4, 5, 6 and 54 as follows:

3. A method according to claim 1, wherein at least two of the first source flow end point, the second destination flow end point, the third destination flow end point and the fourth source flow end point reside on the same node.

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